

Governor Baldacci's  
Task Force Promoting Safer Chemicals in Consumer Products  
Wednesday, March 07, 2007 12:30 PM-3:30 PM  
Cross Office Building, Augusta, Maine  
MINUTES

Attendees

Task Force members: David Littell, Brian Dancause, Kathy Murray, Jim Dill, Sharon Tisher, Nick Bennett, Michael Belliveau, Staci Beyer, Steve Pinette, Mindy Davis

Other Task Force: Ginger Jordan-Hillier, staff

Guests: Stephanie Publicker/NIH.NLM, Jake Sanderson Env Canada, Elpi Karakalis Health Canada

Interested Parties: Jeremy Caron/DAFS, Jetta Antonakas/SPO, Steve Rosario/American Chemistry Council, Leanne Diehl/Public Affairs, Suzanne Watson & Julie Churchill/DEP, Stan Eller/ACHM.

Work Groups meetings:

Chemical Policy and Information met jointly.

Guest: Stephanie Publicker, MLS Technical Information Specialist, Specialized Information Services National Library of Medicine. Overview of NIH.NLM Household Products data base and other relevant database resources including: WISER (First Responder info)

<http://wiser.nlm.nih.gov/> Haz-Map (Occupational hazard exposure info)

<http://hazmap.nlm.nih.gov/>

ToxTown <http://toxtown.nlm.nih.gov/>

Michael Beliveau handed out a copy of LD 837 and information on a Mass. bill to expand their Toxics Use Reduction act (I will forward by separate email).

Assignments: Contact information for Stephanie Publicker

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Green Chemistry: Meeting postponed until April

Presentation and Q&A Results of DSL[Domestic Substances List] Categorization and the Way Forward: Chemicals Management Plan

Jake Sanderson, Senior Evaluator, Existing Substances Division, Environment Canada

Elpi Karalis Risk Management Section Health Canada

PowerPoint Attached

Next Meetings: See attached calendar reflecting meeting discussion.

<b>Task Force Safer Chemicals Planning Agenda</b>		Wed April 18 or possibly April 25 <sup>th</sup> as April 18 <sup>th</sup> school vacation week. Am polling members and will confirm last week in March.			Wed May 16	Wed June 13	<b>Wed July 11 &amp;25</b>  <b>Wed Aug 15 &amp;?29</b>	<b>Wed Sept 12 &amp; 26</b>	Mon October 1
Full Task Force meets 2-3:30 PM Room 105 Cross Office Building  <b>We will move forward with scheduled speakers but try to have some upcoming meeting without speakers to wade through all of the great information that has been coming in.</b>		<u>Presentation</u>  Michael Wilson Calif; legislative efforts <b>Confirmed. Will participate via phone</b>  <b>If moved to April 25<sup>th</sup> location will move to DEP Response building on the East side of River and directions will be provided.</b>			<u>Presentation</u>  REACH; <u>implementation</u> in Europe  <b>T. Green IPM speaker?</b>	<b>Work Meeting</b>	Drafting  Final Report	Final Draft	Final report due Oct 1  Task Force ceases
<u>Work Groups:</u>		Possible Work Group Topics: Work Groups will need to scope out; agenda topics							
Rm 105 /12:30-1:45CHEMICALS POLICY Chr. David Littell  <u>Focus:</u> Charge # ii. ;Closing the Safety Gap	Prioritizing Chemicals; List of carcinogens and PBTs to avoid for EPP	<u>Feb</u>  Chemicals of High Concern  Mark Hyland info on IMERC	<u>March</u>  Phase-Outs & Exemptions	<u>April</u>  Chemicals of Concern	Substitution Planning	Implementation Structure/Process	Drafting Final Report  Subcommittee recommendations and language	Final draft	Final Report due Oct 1
Rm 105/12:30-1:45 INFORMATION Chr Jim Dill/Kathy Murray  <u>Focus:</u> Charge # iii. ;Closing Data Gap & EPP	How can we make data useful for Maine	Health & Safety Data Gaps	Supply Chain Issues  Public Education  NIH.NLM rep attends	Hazard Communi-cation  <b>Sharon T. MSDS Dave Wacker BLS re: MSDS</b>	Labeling, warnings and Right-To-KnowI	Database management	Drafting Final Report subcommittee recommendations and language	Final Draft	Final Report due Oct 1
Rm 302/12:30-1:45 GREEN CEMISTRY Chr Brian Dancause <u>Focus:</u> Charge # iv.;Close Tech Gap, & Bio-based R&D	Review relevant bond proposals  <b>May not meet every month</b>	Review draft seed grant report on potato plastics	Review green chemistry R&D needs of university system  <b>Did not meet</b>	Review final seed grant proposal on potato plastics	Assess needs and next steps	Assess needs and next steps	Drafting Final Report Subcommittee recommendations and language	Final Draft	Final Report due Oct 1